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In re Application of: : S. Hui
M. LANQUETIN et al :
Serial No.: 09/646,763 : Group: 1617
Filed: September 20, 2000 :
For: TOPICAL HORMONAL...ACTION :

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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of October 23, 2001, please
amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Claim 11 (twice amended) A topical hormonal composition with
systemic effect of claim 1 containing a gelling agent selected from
the group consisting of cellulose derivatives selected from the
group consisting of
methylcelluloses,
ethylcelluloses (Ethocel),
hydroxypropylmethylcelluloses,
hydroxyethylcelluloses,
hydroxypropylcelluloses and
carboxymethylcelluloses in the sodium or calcium form
and acrylic carbomer.